

48 Temple Court, Melbourne,

22 April 1886

My dear Andrew,

I send this by the hands of our friend Mr D H Herald, who is on the point of leaving for Hobart.

I have only just recd your letter of 7th. The Envelope enclosed explains the cause of this delay, which is very annoying, & caused me greatly to wonder -

I am greatly surprised

I am sorry to find my
appl. for app't. a Com.
has been refused. Considering
the fact of my birth & being
a son of your Ch I feel
to understand the cause —
People are continually coming
to me about matters ^{Tasmanian} &
I cannot understand why
you should fail to estimate
the efforts I have made
in the line of assn. for.
I feel quite humiliated
by a little friendly
pressure on Gribble to remove
this stigma, for it is no less.

I am surprised to find Mr
Adams's epays had not arrived when
you wrote - I hope you've now seen
them - What did you think of the
poems? You didn't say a word about
the Moorhouse one -

Many thanks for your kind
invitation ^{in the 14th} - I shall be
delighted to come, if I can - but could
not possibly tell whether I could
get away until shortly before the
date. I think Witter will have some
difficulty, too, in getting away. He is
here ^{by me} and I send his love - ^{he} for your last
will write shortly -

I am anxiously waiting to
hear from you - If you haven't time
to write, please correct the Circular
& send it I shall be sure to see it

Myself
John Hobart